

# MIAMIBEACH

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## LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO: Mayor Philip Levine and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jimmy L. Morales, City Manager

DATE: March 14, 2016

SUBJECT: Beach Remediation Project – 53<sup>rd</sup> Street to 59<sup>th</sup> Street

The purpose of this Letter to Commission is to provide an update on the sand placed in the vicinity of 53 Street to 59 Street and the associated remediation. The Chateau Ocean will begin beach remediation this week once they have obtained the required right-of-way permit.

In April 2015, the Chateau Ocean located at 9365 Collins Avenue, Surfside was required per their Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Coastal Construction Control Line Permit (DA-647) to relocate approximately 20,900 cubic yards of material between approximately 53 Street and 58 Street. This location was selected because of the severe erosion along the southern stretch of the placement site.

Once the material was placed, construction debris including small fragments of glass, tile and concrete were found at the northern portion of the beach renourishment area. The state would not allow any material to be removed from the beach during turtle nesting season (May 1 to October 31). Now that turtle nesting season has come to a close, FDEP is requiring that the Chateau Ocean Group remediate any impacts to the state owned beach.

Attached is information provided by Moffat and Nichol, the coastal engineering and environmental consultant hired by the Chateau Ocean LLC to provide oversight of the remediation work. Moffat and Nichol will be hand-delivering this notice to all condominiums on the east and west side of Collins from 53 Street to 59 Street. The City of Miami Beach will also send the attached notice via email to the condominium associations in this area.

Staff will continue to monitor this situation and to advocate for expeditious resolution within the state permitting guidelines and turtle nesting season schedule.



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Attachment: Letter and Advisory Notice



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March 14, 2016

Dear Residents:

This is a courtesy notice from the City of Miami Beach regarding a public beach fill remediation process by the Chateau Ocean LLC, which is anticipated to commence the week of March 14, 2016.

In April 2015, the Chateau Ocean located at 9365 Collins Avenue, Surfside was required per their Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Coastal Construction Control Line Permit (DA-647) to relocate approximately 20,900 cubic yards of material between approximately 53 Street and 58 Street. This location was selected because of the severe erosion along the southern stretch of the placement site.

Since this material was placed, construction debris including small fragments of glass, tile and concrete were found at the northern section of the placement area. The state would not allow any material to be removed from the beach during turtle nesting season (May 1 to October 31). Now that turtle nesting season has come to a close, FDEP is requiring that the Chateau Ocean Group remediate any impacts to the state owned beach.

Attached is information provided by Moffat and Nichol, the coastal engineering and environmental consultant hired by the Chateau Ocean LLC to provide oversight of the remediation work.

The City of Miami Beach continues to monitor this situation and to advocate for expeditious resolution within the state permitting guidelines and turtle nesting season schedule. Your patience with this public improvements project is greatly appreciated. Please do not hesitate to reach out to my office ([ewheaton@miamibeachfl.gov](mailto:ewheaton@miamibeachfl.gov) or 305.673.7010) if you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Wheaton, Director  
Environment & Sustainability

Attachment: Beach Fill Notification



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## **NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS PUBLIC BEACH FILL REMEDIATION PROJECT**

### **53<sup>rd</sup> Street to 59<sup>th</sup> Street**

March 14, 2016

This is a courtesy notice regarding a public beach fill remediation process by Chateau Ocean as permitted by the State of Florida.

Please be advised that beach fill (sand) placed onto the beach between 53<sup>rd</sup> Street and 59<sup>th</sup> Street by Chateau Ocean has been observed to contain construction debris. A shallow sifting operation was completed previously to start debris removal, and the final debris removal operations are scheduled to commence the week of March 14, 2016 as required by the Consent Order between the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) and the Chateau Ocean LLC. This is estimated to begin the week of March 14, 2016 and be complete by April 30, 2016.

The remaining beach fill placed between approximately FDEP reference monuments R-47+200 (MEI Condominium at 5875 Collins Ave.) and R-48+200 (L'Excellence Condominium at 5757 Collins Ave.) will be removed and replaced with clean sand from an FDEP-approved sand mine located in Homestead, Florida. The remaining beach fill observed to contain debris that was placed between approximately 57<sup>th</sup> Street and 53<sup>rd</sup> Street will be sifted and the clean sand will be placed back onto the beach.

Work will generally progress from north to south in both the sand removal and sifting areas. The beach fill remediation operation requires the use of heavy equipment on the beach, and maintenance of a transportation corridor from the active work areas to the beach access at 53<sup>rd</sup> Street Park. Flag persons will be provided for public safety. Operations will take place in accordance with City regulations during typical weekday work hours (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.).

Coastal Construction and Florida Engineering are the contractors who will be completing the beach fill remediation project. Moffatt and Nichol (M&N) is the coastal engineering and environmental consulting firm that will be providing oversight for the remediation work. Christy Brush, Project Manager for M&N, can be reached with any questions at 786-725-4182.

The FDEP and City of Miami Beach will continue to monitor this remediation. Point of contact with the FDEP is Jim Martinello, Environmental Administrator with the Division of Water Resource Management (james.martinello@dep.state.fl.us).

Your patience with this public improvements project is greatly appreciated.